

## **REMARKS**

Claim 1 has been amended to recite that the ether (poly)isocyanate produced by the claimed process has a hydrolyzable chlorine content of less than 0.1%. Support for this amendment is found in Example 1.

New Claim 5 is directed to an ether isocyanate having a hydrolyzable chlorine content of less than 0.05%. Support for this claim is found in Example 3.

New Claim 6 is directed to an ether isocyanate having a hydrolyzable chlorine content of less than 0.03%. Support for this claim is found in Example 4.

Entry of this amendment and an action on the merits of this case are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claim 1 to read as follows:

- 1. (Amended) A process for the production of an ether (poly)isocyanate having a hydrolyzable chlorine content of less than 0.1% from an ether (poly)amine comprising reacting
- a) an ether (poly)amine
  with at least a stoichiometric amount (based on the number of primary amine groups
  present in a)) of
- b) phosgene or a compound which generates phosgene under the reaction conditions in the vapor phase at a temperature of from about 50 to about 800°C under pressure.

Please add the following new Claims 5 and 6:

- -- 5. The ether isocyanate of Claim 3 having a hydrolyzable chlorine content of less than 0.05%.
- 6. The ether isocyanate of Claim 3 having a hydrolyzable chlorine content of less than 0.03%.--

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